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USEEC FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: ETRD, EC

SUBJECT: STEEL

REF: BRUSSELS 19370

1. PLEASE CONVEY TO DAVIGNON THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON
EC STEEL PLAN, IF POSSIBLE BEFORE HE BRIEFS EC INDUSTRY
LEADERS DECEMBER 28.

2. EC BASE PRICES SHOULD NOT IN ANY WAY BE CHARACTERIZED
AS RELATED TO US TRIGGER PRICES. THEREFORE, PENULTIMATE
SENTENCE IN PARA ONE OF REFTEL SHOULD BE DROPPED.

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3. US TRIGGER PRICES ARE BASED SOLEY ON COSTS OF PRODUC-
TION OF MOST EFFICIENT PRODUCERS, CURRENTLY THE JAPANESE,
AND ARE BEING CALCULATED AFTER EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS OF
INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY JAPANESE INDUSTRY EXPERTS. AS WE
UNDERSTAND THE EC SYSTEM OF BASE PRICES, THEY ARE TO BE
CALCULATED IN A LESS RIGOROUS FASHION WITHOUT ANY DETAILED

DATA SUBMISSION FROM EXPORTING COUNTRIES. WE BELIEVE, THEREFORE, THAT THE EC SHOULD AVOID ANY IDENTIFICATION OF ITS BASE PRICE SYSTEM WITH US TRIGGER PRICES AND SHOULD REFRAIN FROM COMPARISON OF THEIR RELATIVE PROTECTIONIST EFFECT. FYI THIS DISTINCTION IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO VIABILITY OF OUR SYSTEM, END FYI.

4. YOU SHOULD ALSO CONVEY TO DAVIGNON OUR BELIEVE THAT THE EC PROPOSALS GO WELL BEYOND OUR UNDERSTANDING IN THE OECD AD HOC STEEL GROUP. WE ARE CONCERNED BY POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENTS WITH SUPPLIER COUNTRIES AND LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE CONSULTATIONS, OF BILATERAL AND MULTI-LATERAL WITH THE EC ON ITS PROPOSALS. VANCE

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